

TABLE 2

LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Civilian Labor Force	Jan-07	Jan-06	Jan-05				
Unemployment Rate (for month & year use most recent information available and seasonally adjusted annual average)	3.9%	3.6%	3.8%				
MSA Non-Agricultural Employment Reported by Place of Work	Total Number Employed			% of Total Employed Persons			
	January 2007	January 2006	January 2002	January 2007	January 2006	January 2002	
Mining & Construction	174,200	165,600	111,400	6.05	5.95	5.7	
Manufacturing	298,200	293,600	217,600	10.36	10.55	11.3	
Transportation & Public Utilities	137,300	134,100	73,200	4.77	4.81	3.8	
Retail Trade	306,500	308,000	221,400	10.65	11.06	11.5	
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	234,400	224,300	167,500	8.14	8.06	8.7	
Service	107,900	102,700	70,000	3.74	3.69	3.6	
Government	370,100	359,000	226,400	12.86	12.9	11.8	
MSA Employment Reported by Group Occupation	2007	1990					
Total Nonfarm	2,877,100	1,949,600					
Total Private	2,507,500	1,711,500					
Goods Producing	473,200	429,800					
Service Providing	2,403,900	1,519,800					
Mining and Construction	174,600	89,400					
Manufacturing	298,600	340,400					
Retail Trade	306,800	247,900					
Transportation, Warehousing, and Utilities	137,100	92,600					
Financial Activities	234,500	158,700					
Educational and Health Services	303,500	160,400					
Government	369,600	238,100					
Accommodation and Food Services	233,800	134,400					
Employed Residents Working in 1990	Number (#)	Percent (%)					
Outside the County of Residence		7.50%					
Commute Times	Number (#)	Percent (%)					
Less than 15 Minutes	30,064	31.93					
15 - 29 Minutes	26,574	28.22					
30 - 44 Minutes	16,729	17.76					
45 - 59 Minutes	11,475	12.19					
60 or more Minutes	9,326	9.9					

Labor Participation Rate	Percentage (%)				
Male	73.90%				
Female	58.30%				
Total	66.00%				
Education & Labor Force	Enrollment	Graduates			
High School (Public/Private)	96.7%/3.3%				
High School Students Enrolling in College	N/A				
Community College (Enrolled Full-Time)	2,721				
4 Year University (Enrolled Full-Time)	27,712				
Military Presence	Civilian Employment	Military Personnel	Annual # of Military	# of Military	
Names of Installations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

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